

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FEES)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
OF THE MARICOPA COUNTY)	NO. 2008-053
PUBLIC FIDUCIARY)	(Vacates Administrative Order No. 2002-084)
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WHEREAS, claims for compensation by the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary are collectible against the estate of any ward, protected person or decedent pursuant to A.R.S. §14-5604, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Order of the Probate Presiding Judge on July 19, 2002, In the Matter of the Fees of the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary, the Court approved the adoption of a fee schedule to serve as a basis for establishing compensation rates that could be claimed by the Public Fiduciary in the administration of estates under its management, and

WHEREAS, the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary has submitted a new Fee Schedule Proposal dated March 31, 2008, for adoption by this Court,

IT IS ORDERED approving the attached Fee Schedule for the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary effective immediately and requiring the Public Fiduciary to submit fee affidavits in compliance with the requirements of Maricopa County Local Rule 5.7 in connection with any claim against an estate as permitted pursuant to A.R.S. § 14-5604;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED vacating the Administrative Order No. 2002-084 of this Court dated July 19, 2002, In the Matter of the Fees of the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED directing the Court Accountants to review and make recommendations to the Court concerning all initial, annual or final accountings submitted for Court approval by the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary in the administration of any estate where the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary has been appointed.

DATED this 23rd day of April, 2008

Honorable Karen L. O'Connor
Presiding Judge for Probate and Mental Health

Attachment: Maricopa County Public Fiduciary - Fee Schedule

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

Copies: Hon. Barbara Rodriguez Mundell, Presiding Judge
Michael K. Jeanes, Clerk of the Court
Richard T. Vanderheiden, Maricopa County Public Fiduciary
Marcus Reinkensmeyer, Court Administrator
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Hon. Michael Barth
Hon. Lindsay B. Ellis
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Hon. Michael D. Hintze
Hon. Richard L. Nothwehr
Hon. Gerald Porter
Hon. Brian Rees
Hon. Virginia Richter
Hon. Barbara L. Spencer
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MARICOPA COUNTY PUBLIC FIDUCIARY FEE SCHEDULE

INTRODUCTION:

The Maricopa County Public Fiduciary's compensation for fiduciary services are governed pursuant to A.R.S. § 14-5601, et seq., and are submitted for approval to the Superior Court, with notice and hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Maricopa County Local Rule 5.7. Routinely, no fees will be taken until they have been approved by the court. Fees shall not be collected for guardianship and conservatorship services when the taking of fees would lower the individual estate account or patient trust account balance below \$600.

Fees shall be calculated in accordance with this schedule as approved by the Court. Direct expenses are payable from the Estate, and may include fees collected by the Clerk of the Superior Court, fees of the Maricopa County Recorder, publication costs, postage, mileage, copies, facsimile transmissions, out-of-pocket expenses, storage and computer charges, subject to subsequent approval of the Court.

FEE SCHEDULE APPLICABLE PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 14-5604 AND A.R.S. § 14-5605.

The following fees are applicable for compensation to the Maricopa County Public Fiduciary pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. §§14-5604:

- Guardianships and Conservatorships of adults and minors;
- Post Death Administration on Guardianship and Conservatorship cases.

1. Flat-fee Services Provided:

Referral, Investigation, Petition, and Set-up Fee	\$ 900
Affidavit for Collection [up to five]	\$ 100
Annual or Final Accounting	\$ 375
Biennial Accounting	\$ 475

2. Hourly Fee Services Provided:

Maricopa Public Fiduciary	\$ 145
Assistant Public Fiduciary	\$ 125
Estate Administration Manager	\$ 95
Estate Operations Manager	\$ 95
Guardian Administration Manager	\$ 95
Estate/Guardian Administrators	\$ 85
Benefits Case Management	\$ 55
Burial Case Management	\$ 55

Benefits Case Investigation/ Management	\$ 55
Chief Investigator/ Intake Investigator	\$ 85
Property Management	\$ 60
Tax Preparation in office	
[1040, 140, Final 1041, Final 141] minimum	\$ 85
[1040A, 140A, 140PTC, 1041, 141] minimum	\$ 55

3. Decedent's Estates Handled Pursuant to A.R.S. § 14-5605:

Referral, Investigation, Petition and Set-up Fee	\$1,200
Final Accounting	\$ 400
Estate Administrator Hourly Rate for Decedent Cases	\$ 95